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500 ARE DEAD IN PATH OF STORM THROUGH SOUTH

Reports Received From Isolated Districts Swell the List of Casualties, While the Damage Done to Property in the States of Louisiana and Mississippi Will Total a Hundred Million Dollars

(By United Press Leased Wire.)
New Orleans, Oct. 2.—Five hundred are dead and property damage of from \$75,000,000 to \$100,000,000 was wrought by the West Indian hurricane which swept a big part of Louisiana and Mississippi.
All wires were down until late this afternoon, when the United Press leased wire to the New Orleans item and the States opened successfully. Because of confusion of wires, blocking of trains, news is trickling in slowly from points which suffered the most. Many places are accessible only by boats.
The water ranged from two feet in Mobile to 16 feet in Rigoletta, where the losses were heaviest. Ninety ships went ashore in the Louisiana marsh country. Aboard them were 540 men, of whom 100 are known to have been rescued, but many others are believed to have perished.

New Orleans, Oct. 2.—More than 500 dead and 200 wounded stood today as the appalling estimate of casualties resulting from the recent West Indian hurricane in Louisiana and Mississippi. Reports tabulated early today, based on figures from surrounding towns, confirmed fears that the hurricane reaped a horrible toll. The death list in New Orleans was not swelled appreciably. It was placed at 22, with an additional 24 in the environs.
The figures on known dead included: Barataria district, 43; Rigoletta, 24; Pointe a la Hache, 31; Lake Catherine, 17; Yelasky, 17; Shell Beach, 16; Bayou Cook, 13; Cheniere, 9; Grand Isle, 6; Bayou Portage, 6; Pass Christian, 4; Daisy, 3; Bayou St. Louis, 2; Hammond, 3; Ostrica, 2; Nestor, 2; Nichols, 1; Bayou Dufon, 1.
Two hundred and eight were reported dead along the Mississippi from Myrtle Grove to Buras. The figures on reported dead: La Branch, 25; Bayou Dufon, 30; Island de la Croix, 25; St. Sophie, 17; Harvey, 4; Killma, 3; Houma, 2; on launch J. N. Ridd, 2.
Hundreds are still marooned in the flooded sections along the coast and boats have gone to their rescue. Three hundred are marooned at Empire, La. Seventy took refuge in a hotel when Grand Isle was swept by a tidal wave.
More than 150 schooners are reported ashore between Gulfport and New Orleans. Many of them are wrecked, and some have been hurled 15 feet above tidewater.
Estimates of property damage vary owing to unsatisfactory communication with the storm area. Three mil-

lion dollars alone is the estimate for southern Louisiana.
Four houses are reported to be the only structures left in Empire, near the Doulth canal. In these residences of the village, over 200, are jammed, anxiously awaiting the coming of a rescue boat.
From points at some distance from the city came reports that many persons were marooned in tree tops. Relief boats, loaded with food, supplies, nurses and doctors, have gone to the aid of the stricken districts.
Louisiana and Mississippi plan, if possible, to take care of the situation without an appeal for help outside. The city is handling its own situation admirably, and the work of clearing debris is progressing rapidly.
Wife service was practically normal with the outside world today, and the plans for repairing and replacing wrecked structures were proceeding rapidly.

SLAV WAR OFFICE SAYS RUSSIANS ARE HOLDING OWN

(By United Press Leased Wire.)
Petrograd, Oct. 2.—Though noting a few advances for the enemy, the latest war office statement today indicated the Russians are still holding their own in the struggle with the Austro-Germans on the great eastern battle front.
Repulse of German attacks in the Mitau region was claimed. The struggle at many points is at close range, and the Slav cavalrymen are cutting up the enemy. Near the village of Gat, said the statement, a Teuton company was cut up and the survivors taken prisoner.
The town of Dunilovitch, northeast of Lake Medzool, has been captured by the Russians and the enemy has been dislodged from Ajouny and Medzool station in that region.

BEWARE THE DAY DREAM, IS DOCTOR'S ADVICE

San Francisco, Oct. 2.—Day dreams are dangerous, quoth Dr. J. C. Egeberg today. Put a brake on them, or else they may land you in the "looney house," he opined.
"We all indulge in them," he said. "My advice is to control them and not day dream too long. It's nice to imagine we've inherited a million, but it's dangerous."

EXPECT BULGARIA'S AID IN CUTTING PATH THROUGH TO CONSTANTINOPLE

(By United Press Leased Wire.)
London, Oct. 2.—Within a fortnight Bulgaria will join the Austro-Germans in a combined attempt to cut through the Balkans to Constantinople, according to reliable information here. The plan is to squeeze Serbia between three armies. The Austro-Germans would attack the western and northern frontiers, while the Bulgarians would hurt their forces from the east.
These forces would occupy Macedonia unless the aid of allied troops to the Serbians gives promise that these attempts would be repelled.

The allied capitals have no further doubt as to Bulgaria's intentions. They have accepted Foreign Minister Grey's statement of Teutonic aid in Bulgaria's mobilization as a certain forerunner of her entrance on the side of the central powers.
The London press viewed Ferdinand's decision as a case of "backing the wrong horse." The fact that the Greek parliament voted the war bills convinces the allies that Greece will aid them when Bulgaria attacks.
Roumania's position is still doubtful, though Bucharest continues to report military preparations.

ANOTHER CAR OF FLAME TOKAYS TO BE SHIPPED TODAY

The second car of Tokay grapes will leave the packing house today for the eastern market. The growers are making the most of the perfect weather conditions for the harvesting of the grape crop, though it is said that the vineyards do not yet show the effects of the shipments already made. Only the well colored and ripened bunches are cut from the vine, the yards being picked over every few days to take out the fruit ready for packing, and the yield is apparently going to be even greater than was at first anticipated. The girls employed in the packing house are becoming most expert under the tutelage of Mrs. Hamilton, the forelady in charge, and the crates of great bunches of flame Tokays will appeal to the eye, as the flavor will appeal to the palate of the people in the east.
A car of Yellow Newtown pippins, the first of the variety to be shipped this season, was started out Friday night. Its ultimate destination is not known, though it is probable that it will go to London or Liverpool, the European trade taking most of that variety. The car was from the orchards of the Leonard Orchards company and H. B. Wyman. The Leonard Orchards people are now loading another car of the Newtowns. The fruit is about the finest ever raised in the valley and should command the very top of the market.
Geo. Hamilton yesterday loaded out a car of Salway peaches for the San Francisco market, and will go to the southern city to oversee the marketing himself. Mr. Hamilton says that his experience with the commission houses of the cities to which he has shipped has been most discouraging.

FRENCH ATTACKS REPULSED, CLAIM GERMAN OFFICIALS

Berlin, via London, Oct. 2.—British counter-attacks north of Loos have failed, the official statement today claimed. French attacks southwest of Angres, east of Souchez and north of Neuville were repulsed.
"In the Champagne," said the statement, "the French attacked on a wide front east of Anberive. This failed except at one point where the enemy succeeded in penetrating our advanced positions. Making a counter-attack, we took 71 prisoners and killed the company which had penetrated."
Capture of 10,731 men and 211 officers around Arras and in the Champagne was claimed.
The Germans destroyed two French aeroplanes in the squadron which bombarded Loos and which killed a woman and a child.
Concerning the eastern front, the statement said:
"General von Linathren's forces stormed Korwina, taking 1,300 Russian prisoners. A Russian attempt Wednesday night to pierce our lines west of Tarnopol failed with heavy losses."
"Field Marshal von Hindenburg repelled attacks south of Narocz, near Lake Spigla. The enemy has not attacked east of Wischniew since their unsuccessful effort Thursday. We took 1,100 prisoners near Smorgon Friday."

MAN LIVES AFTER BRAIN IS SHOT AWAY

Los Angeles, Oct. 2.—After having lived 24 hours without brains, S. J. Laird died at the county hospital today. Writing a note declaring he was tired of life, Laird, who was 62 years old, blew the top of his head off with a revolver. At the receiving hospital surgeons discovered he continued to breathe although almost every particle of brain matter was gone. It was considered a surgical phenomenon.

PHILLIES AND WHITE SOX MEET OCT. 8

First of World Series Baseball Games Between League Leaders Will Be Played on Friday in Quaker City

New York, Oct. 2.—The battle lines are drawn.
The Phillies and Red Sox meet in mighty combat October 8—only six days more—at Philadelphia, with the world's championship at stake. The second game, on the ninth, will be in the Quaker city also, with the third and fourth at Boston on the eleventh and twelfth.
If a fifth is necessary to decide the series, it will be in Philadelphia. Should the series run to six games, it will be in the city. Should the struggle still be unsettled, a toss of a coin will decide upon the city for the seventh battle. In the event any game is postponed, the teams will remain where they are until it is played.
The national commission today settled the momentous question of location by the toss of a coin. Owner Lannin of the Red Sox called tails as the coin spun through the air—and came down heads up.
The umpires for the National league will be Charles Rigler and Bill Klem, while for the American Bill Evans and "Silk" O'Loughlin will officiate. Taylor Spink, of St. Louis, will be official scorer, and the baseball writers of Philadelphia and Boston will select two others.
The list of players declared eligible for the world's series follows:
Philadelphia—Alexander, Adams, Bancroft, Burns, Baumgartner, Becker, Byrne, Cravath, Chalmers, Demaree, Duguey, Killifer, Luders, Moran, Mayer, McQuillan, Niehoff, Rixey, Paekert, Stock, Tincep, Whitted, Weiser.
Boston—Barry, Carrigan, Cady, Collins, Foster, Gregg, Gardner, Galloway, Hoblitzel, Hooper, Hendriksen, Janyrin, Leonard, Lewis, Scott, McNally, Ruth, Shore, Mays, Speaker, Thomas, Wood, Wagner.

VON BERNSTORFF AND SEC. LANSING HOLD CONFERENCE

New York, Oct. 2.—The conference today between German Ambassador von Bernstorff and Secretary Lansing, heralded as important in its bearing on German-American relations, consumed only ten minutes. Afterward the ambassador would make no comment.
Bernstorff, with his secretary, arrived at 11:15 at Lansing's hotel, without a portfolio or papers. Apparently in high humor, he went at once to Lansing's suite.
It was supposed they discussed the submarine question briefly and perhaps the matter of the recall of German Attaché von Papen, said to be in administration disfavor for his course in sending communications abroad with American Correspondent Archibald.
In his conference with newspaper men this afternoon, Lansing declared the ambassador's visit was confidential, but it was learned there will be other conferences in the near future. The secretary will return to Washington tonight.

CONVICT LABOR CALLED SUCCESS IN CALIFORNIA

Sacramento, Oct. 2.—Certain that the convict road labor system will be a great success in California, Highway Commissioner C. F. Stern, who arrived here today from Mendocino county, where 47 convicts have been working for nearly two weeks, says 13 convicts will be added immediately to the crew of 47 and a second camp of 60 convicts will be established about five miles away on the south fork of the Eel river.
"The spirit of the men and the general tone of the camp was beyond my expectation," says Stern. "The work is hard and were the highway commission to do the job by contract it would cost \$500,000."
"This amount is not available and it is only by the convict labor method that the state will be able to build the 36-mile strip which is necessary in order to connect the north coast counties with the main trunk of the state highway."
Stern made a study of the convicts on the job and reports that the composite convict road laborer is five feet nine inches tall, weighs 162 pounds, is 33 years old and is serving an eleven-year sentence. During the first six days the convicts cleared five and a half miles of right-of-way, a wonderful accomplishment, says Stern, in view of the fact that it was dense with timber and rocks.

WIRELESS PHONE SYSTEM IS SOON TO BE IMPROVED

(By United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Oct. 2.—J. J. Carty, American Telephone & Telegraph company chief engineer, dreamer of dreams that come true, will leave here today or Monday for New York, where he will work on improvements of the new wireless telephony system. He declared today his chief tasks are to overcome a roaring in the instruments and to perfect a means whereby the message may be answered. Thus far his system has merely transmitted in one direction.
New York dispatches told today of an invention by Professor Michael Pupin of Columbia university of a system whereby the roar due to atmospheric conditions can be overcome. This is precisely what Carty desires in his system. He said today he expects these difficulties can be minimized, so that aerial conversation will be practicable for miles. His idea for the new system is that it shall be used largely in naval work and shall be placed within the disposal of smaller vessels. He believes, however, that one may talk by wire to San Francisco, connect with wireless and then chat with Tokio. The wireless phone, however, does not regard as practicable for city use, because it is not secret and will not accommodate a sufficient number of calls at once.

CLAIM GERMAN SLAIN FOR WEEK IN FRANCE 150,000

Million Men Are Now Battling Desperately in the West. With the French and English Allies Making Some Gains From Their Teutonic Enemy Along the Line in the Artois and Champagne Districts

(By United Press Leased Wire.)
London, Oct. 2.—The first week of the allies' big offensive in France and Flanders ended today with nearly a million men battling with undiminished fury in the Artois and Champagne. Before another week ends a grand assault may bring more millions into the deadly fight from Alsace to the sea.
Losses can not be estimated. The allies declare they have captured nearly 30,000 and slain more than 150,000 Germans.
Berlin reported her forces had taken more than 12,000 prisoners and characterized the allies' losses as "enormous."
Paris claimed 200 guns as booty. The net results for the week, as gleaned from the official statements, are:
First, the British gained on a five-mile front, completely occupying the German positions near Lens. They lost some of their gains and their advance was halted.
Second, the French captured Souchez and Vimy Heights, and now continue their progress in the Vimy region southwest of Lens. Strong counter-attacks failed to regain ground lost to the Germans.
Third, the French advanced a mile or two on a 15-mile front in the Champagne. At some points they are within two miles of the Bazancourt-Challerange railroad. German heavy reinforcements and vigorous counter-attacks have checked the French in the Champagne.
Fourth, the German attempt to halt the allies' offensive by creating a diversion in the Argonne has failed.
Paris, Oct. 2.—Sharp and sudden strokes, whereby the allies are steadily improving their positions in the Artois and Champagne have temporarily replaced the battering tactics which marked the beginning of their giant offensive along the western front.
But another smash of terrific force will not be long postponed.
Artillery battles are increasing in

STOCK BROKERS IN NEW YORK CITY ARE REAPING A HARVEST OF GOLD

(By United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, Oct. 2.—Wall street today is literally a street of gold.
In the past week more than 7,000,000 shares have changed hands, meaning that brokers' commissions amount alone to more than \$1,750,000,000.
Profits of outside traders and professional speculators are impossible to estimate, but they probably rival anything the street knew in its palest days.
Talk of 3,000,000 shares days is heard in the wake of the heavy trading. The houses which recently worried about making just their expenses are now rolling in wealth. The craze for the "war babies," "cats and dogs," standard issues, in fact, anything and everything in the way of a stock gamble is swamping the brokers. People who never before saw a broker or his office are now regular visitors at the headquarters of the Wall street houses.
Evidences of the new era of prosperity are seen in the return of the "harpies"—old timers in the street, who, having suffered reverses, now live on the bounty of the street.

VIMY OBJECTIVE OF THE FRENCH IN ARTOIS BATTLE

Paris, Oct. 2.—The French had advanced in the Artois and Champagne regions, renewing their assaults last night and early today, said today's official communique.
Southwest of Souchez the tricolor forces progressed toward Vimy, the immediate objective of the Artois battle.
On both the left and center in the Champagne the French progressed despite strong resistance, and captured the salient near Lepine de Vedegrange, north of Meaulx.
"In the Artois the enemy bombarded us heavily east of Souchez," said the communique, "but the French progressed in trench-to-trench fighting toward the LaFolle heights (southeast of Vimy)."
"Two German reconnaissances in Lorraine, and attacks on French outposts near Moiseel and Someville were repulsed."

MAN KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT AT FRESNO

Fresno, Cal., Oct. 2.—Miss Carrie Breckenridge, 56 years old, of Selma, was killed early today in a crash between an automobile driven by her brother, Milton, and the Madras-Fresno motor singe, with 14 persons aboard. No others were hurt. The police held Ed Peters, stage driver,

MT. LASSEN AGAIN BUSY

(By United Press Leased Wire.)
Redding, Cal., Oct. 2.—Mount Lassen was active today for the 114th time. Small puffs of smoke came from the main crater from sunrise throughout the day, but a stiff wind prevented it from rising to a great height.

RESTAURANTS AND SALOONS IN THE ANCIENT DISTRICT ARE DOING A FINE OFFICE BUSINESS

Restaurants and saloons in the ancient district are doing a fine office business, for where the brokers a few months since were contenting themselves with a sandwich and a glass of beer for lunch, they are now dining on pate de foie gras and champagne.
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ARTILLERY BATTLES ARE INCREASING IN INTENSITY, GIVING EVIDENCE THAT THE ALLIES ARE MAKING SOME GAINS IN PREPARATION FOR ANOTHER DRIVE OF THE GREAT ASSAULT

French losses are extremely light considering the nature of the fighting. I am told that there is expected to lose one-third of their men, but as a matter of fact only 11 per cent has fallen. This comparatively small loss is due to the thorough artillery preparation which marked the days before the offensive started, though in addition the new steel helmets have prevented the ordinary shell head wounds.
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